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1. In March 1955, the GDR Maritime Hydrological Service was in urgent need of meteorologists to be placed at a naval police post in Warnemünde. Young meteorologists are scarce and attempts are being made to have geophysicists with meteorological training, who for lack of employment went to the geophysical service some years ago, transferred to the Maritime Hydrologic Service.

2. In 1955, the Betriebsgewerkschaftsleitung (BGL) (trade union local) of the Meteorological and Hydrologic Service (MHD) in Potsdam urgently requested the establishment of close ties with East German colleagues, the correspondence being centered on political discussions and on attempts to influence the Western scientists against West German rearmament.

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